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Forty-eighth session
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Draft report

Rapporteur: Mesbah **Ansari Dogaheh** (Islamic Republic of Iran)

Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on Population and Development held its forty-eighth session at United Nations Headquarters on 11 April 2014 and from 13 to 17 April 2015. The Commission held ___ meetings (1st to ___).

2. At the 2nd meeting, on 13 April 2015, the session was opened by the Chair of the Commission, Bénédicte Frankinet (Belgium), who also made a statement.

3. At the same meeting, the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund addressed the Commission.

B. Attendance

4. The session was attended by ___ States members of the Commission. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and ___ non-member State(s), representatives of organizations and other entities of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be available in document E/CN.9/2015/INF/1.

C. Election of officers

5. At its 1st and 2nd meetings, on 11 April 2014 and 13 April 2015, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

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Chair

Bénédicte Frankinet (Belgium)

Vice-Chairs

Rubén Armando Escalante Hasbún (El Salvador)
Mesbah Ansari Dogaheh (Islamic Republic of Iran)
Lidija Bubanja (Serbia)
Christine Kalamwina (Zambia)

6. At its 2nd meeting, on 13 April 2015, the Commission designated the Vice-Chair, Mesbah Ansari Dogaheh (Islamic Republic of Iran), to serve also as Rapporteur for the session.

7. At the same meeting, the Commission designated the Vice-Chair, Rubén Armando Escalante Hasbún (El Salvador), to chair the informal consultations.

D. Report of the Bureau of the Commission on its intersessional meetings

8. At the 2nd meeting, the Chair introduced the report of the Bureau of the Commission on its intersessional meetings (E/CN.9/2015/2).

9. At the same meeting, the Commission took note of the report of the Bureau.

E. Agenda

10. At its 2nd meeting, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda (E/CN.9/2015/1), which read:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development.
4. General debate on national experience in population matters: realizing the future we want — integrating population issues into sustainable development, including in the post-2015 development agenda.
5. General debate on the contribution of population and development issues to the theme of the annual ministerial review in 2015.
6. Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population.
7. Provisional agenda for the forty-ninth session of the Commission.
8. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-eighth session.

11. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of work of the session (E/CN.9/2015/L.1).

F. Documentation

12. The list of documents before the Commission at its forty-eighth session is available on the website of the Population Division (www.un.org/en/development/desa/population/commission/sessions/2015/index.shtml).

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Draft decision submitted by the Chair of the Commission

Special themes for the Commission on Population and Development in 2016 and 2017

The Commission on Population and Development, recalling Economic and Social Council decision 2015/203 on the themes for the 2015 and 2016 sessions of the Council, in particular the theme for the 2016 session, "Implementing the post-2015 development agenda: moving from commitments to results", decides:

(a) That the special theme for its forty-ninth session in 2016 shall be "Strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda";

(b) To postpone the decision on the special theme for its fiftieth session, in 2017, until its forty-ninth session pending the decision of the Council on its annual theme for 2017.

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Draft decision submitted by the Chair

The Commission recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

Future organization and methods of work of the Commission on Population and Development

The Economic and Social Council, taking note of Commission on Population and Development decisions 2004/2 and 2005/2 and resolution 2006/1 on the methods of work of the Commission and recalling General Assembly resolution 68/1 of 20 September 2013 entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council", which called, inter alia, for the harmonization and coordination of the agendas and work programmes of the functional commissions, decides:

(a) That at its forty-ninth session, in 2016, the Commission on Population and Development shall review the functioning of its methods of work, with a view to further enhancing the impact of the work of the Commission and its contribution to the Economic and Social Council;

(b) To request the Secretariat, in consultation with Member States, to prepare a note for consideration by the Commission at its forty-ninth session on ways and means to achieve the above-mentioned objectives.

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